



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

LARRY G. WATERFIELD)

Application No. 09/818,308)

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For: COATED ELECTROACTIVE)
BENDER ACTUATOR)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination attached herewith,
please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. An electroactive bender actuator having upper and lower
surfaces, comprising:

a pair of spaced electrodes having outer edges that are offset from one another;

an electroactive layer having an outer edge and disposed at least in part

between and coupled with said electrodes; and